

Evers campaign: ICYMI: Gov. Evers and AG Kaul take action, announce challenge to Wisconsin's 173-year old Abortion Law

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MILWAUKEE, Wis. — Today, Governor Tony Evers and Attorney General Josh Kaul [announced](#) a direct challenge to Wisconsin's archaic 173-year old law that bans nearly all abortions, even in cases of rape or incest.

“We will never stop fighting to ensure every Wisconsinite has the right to consult their family, their faith, and their doctor and make the reproductive healthcare decision that is right for them—a decision that should be made without interference from politicians or members of the Supreme Court who don't know anything about their life circumstances, values, or responsibilities,” said **Gov. Evers**. “The Supreme Court overturned Roe, effectively stripping so many of our family members, friends, and neighbors of their reproductive freedom. I said last week we would fight this in every way we can with every power we have, and that's what we're going to do.”

Wisconsin's criminal abortion law — which originated before the Civil War and is older than 20 states — could ban nearly all abortions in Wisconsin, including in cases of rape and incest. Last week, Republican legislators [gaveled in and out](#) of Gov. Evers' special session to repeal the law within seconds.

See below for coverage on Gov. Evers and AG Kaul taking action to defend reproductive freedom.

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel: [Tony Evers, Josh Kaul file lawsuit challenging](#)

Wisconsin's 1849 law banning abortions, calling it unenforceable

- *"Wisconsin Gov. Tony Evers and Attorney General Josh Kaul are challenging the state's 19th Century state law banning most abortions in the wake of the overturning of Roe v. Wade with a new lawsuit that asks state courts to clarify whether the 173-year-old ban is still in place."*

Channel 3000: Evers, Kaul filing challenge to Wisconsin's criminal abortion ban in wake of Supreme Court abortion ruling

- *"Gov. Tony Evers and Attorney General Josh Kaul announced Tuesday they are filing a 'direct challenge' to Wisconsin's pre-Civil War criminal abortion ban."*

CBS 58: 'We will not back down': Gov. Evers, AG Kaul announce lawsuit challenging Wisconsin 1849 abortion law

- *"'We won't go back, we won't back down, and we are going to fight like hell,' Gov. Evers said."*